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East King County water system urged to boil drinking water

OLYMPIA — The state Department of Health is urging residents of Riverbend Homesites in eastern King County to boil their drinking water because routine test samples show the water may be contaminated with *E. coli*.

The Riverbend Homesites development has 533 homes and about 1,600 residents. It is near Interstate 90 Exit 32, east of North Bend. The development entrance is off Southeast 146th Street. The advisory does not affect any other communities.

Residents who use tap water for drinking, cooking, brushing teeth, mixing baby formula, dishwashing, and ice making should bring the water to a rolling boil for one full minute and allow it to cool before use. Tap water can be used for other purposes.

State health officials are working closely with the water system to try to determine the source of contamination and correct the problem. Residents will be notified when the advisory ends.

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Visit the Washington Department of Health website at <http://www.doh.wa.gov> for a healthy dose of information.